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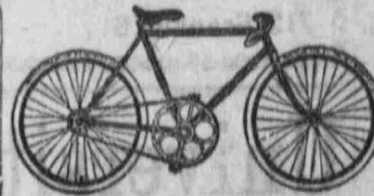
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**LIST OF JURORS**  
Of the Fall Term of Circuit Court for DeSoto County.

The following is a list of the jurors drawn to serve at the fall term of circuit court which convenes October 10th:

G. S. Hollingsworth, J. E. Raulerson, J. W. Scott, Stephen Skipper, W. F. Martin, L. W. Bosick, E. T. Cox, Dan'l Coker, Jr., M. J. O'Connor, M. Sellers, H. I. Wray, Wm. Jernigan, B. W. Lanier, G. B. Gause, J. F. Corbett, J. L. Hollingsworth, J. H. Murphy, T. S. Carlton, Alderman Carlton, R. E. Watkins, T. S. Knight, Jr., S. A. Barnwell, R. E. Smedley, F. B. McClelland, R. K. Seward, M. C. Goodell, S. W. Conroy, R. B. McHargue, C. H. Gill, A. J. Cordell, W. J. Altman, T. J. Bates, C. W. Pearce, W. K. Curry, J. B. Lastering, B. H. Britt.

**Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.**

No one who is acquainted with its good qualities can be surprised at the great popularity of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It not only cures colds and grip effectually and permanently, but prevents these diseases from resulting in pneumonia. It is also a certain cure for croup. Whooping cough is not dangerous when this remedy is given. It contains no opium or other harmful substance and may be given as confidently to a baby as to an adult. It is also pleasant to take. When all of these facts are taken into consideration it is not surprising that people in foreign lands, as well as at home, esteem this remedy very highly and very few are willing to take any other after having once used it. For sale by all druggists.

Three cars of oranges were shipped from the packing house of S. J. Carlton this week, going to St. Louis, New Orleans and Memphis, respectively. This is the opening of the orange season in DeSoto county and there will be busy times here from now until the close of the season. Mr. Carlton informs us that he has an order for forty cars from the World's Fair concessionists at St. Louis, which he will supply, the first car having already been shipped. This fruit is to supply the trade on the grounds of the World's Fair and will be the choicest sent from this section. It will be a fine advertisement for the Peace River Valley orange, as the cars will be loaded with advertisements of the fruit and this section through the enterprise of Mr. Carlton.—Arcadia News, Sept. 30th.

**Better Than Pills.**  
The question has been asked—In what way are Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets superior to the ordinary cathartic and liver pills? Our answer is—They are easier and more pleasant to take and their effect is so gentle and so agreeable that one hardly realizes that it is produced by a medicine. Then they not only move the bowels, but improve the appetite and aid the digestion. For sale at 25c per bottle at all drug stores.

**Saves Two From Death.**  
"Our little daughter had an almost fatal attack of whooping cough and bronchitis," writes Mrs. W. K. Haviland, of Armonk, N. Y., "but when all other remedies failed, we saved her life with Dr. King's New Discovery. Our niece, who had consumption in an advanced stage, also used this wonderful medicine, and today she is perfectly well." Desperate throat and lung diseases yield to Dr. King's New Discovery as to no other medicine on earth. Infallible for Coughs and Colds. 50c and \$1 bottles guaranteed by all druggists. Trial bottles free.

There is seldom a week passes when citizens who are engaged in business are not called upon to contribute something for charity's sake. It is always the business men who are asked to shoulder the varied and gratuitous giving. Some people seem to think that they who are in business can pick up dollars anywhere and ought to contribute liberally and willingly every time they are asked. As a rule dollars are no more plentiful with business people than with any others. Just remember they have troubles of their own. Beg your money for a while of the land owners and retired men who have plenty of money drawing interest. The business men would appreciate the change.—Ex.

**Break Into His House.**

S. LeQuinn, of Cavendish, Vt., was robbed of his customary health by invasion of Chronic Constipation. When Dr. King's New Life Pills broke into his house, his trouble was arrested and now he's entirely cured. They're guaranteed to cure. 25c at all drug stores.

One day last week Mrs. C. Martin presented her husband with a fine baby boy at their home—the old Kuhn property near Pine Castle. The delighted father later in the day visited his various stock and was astonished to find a little calf, twenty-six little piglets, forty-eight little chickens, six puppies and nine kittens. Mr. Martin tells his himself and says that was one day's business on the farm that he will never be ashamed of.—Orlando Star.

## FLORIDA'S GREAT PHOSPHATE FIELD.

One of the State's Richest Interests.

Tampa Times.—Among other reasons for the prosperous condition of the south Florida in particular and the state generally, the situation in the phosphate industry might be cited prominently. When the discoveries of phosphate bearing rock were first made in Florida it was quite natural that the men engaged in it went wild. The prices for the product had previously been very high, but after hundreds of men unskilled in business began mining and marketing the inevitable result followed. There was unlimited confusion and lack in the method, and the prices went far below the cost of mining. A few years of this sort of thing shook out the weaker concerns, while the stronger gathered in the best properties which had been in the weaker hands. Methods of mining have been improved and cheapened, freight rates have been reduced, methods of marketing have been bettered, and the business is again on a money-making basis.

The mining is now confined chiefly to about a dozen powerful operators, and these in turn are concentrated upon perhaps half as many selling agencies in this country and Europe—the continent being the principal customer and fixing the price. The selling and distributing business is well managed, and there is no apparent danger of a break in the market. The rock is mostly contracted for, a. b. the ears at the mine, and \$3 per ton is the ruling price on stuff which is guaranteed up to the standard. The cost of placing it on the cars of course varies with every mine, but it is safe to say that there is a substantial profit in it at the figures given.

One of the most notable advancements in phosphate mining is the dredge method of getting out the material that is below the water line. At first the water was found an insurmountable obstacle to profitable work, but with the introduction of the dipper dredge this is actually the least costly to get out. Powerful machines are placed on barges and the rock is dipped from below the surface of the water and handled with much economy. Existing conditions bid fair to be permanent, and the production of phosphate is on as solid basis as any business in the world. As time goes by there will be an increased demand, with a hardening of prices and a probable small reduction in the cost of mining, so that properties of somewhat lower grade—or presenting other difficulties—will find themselves on the list of profit-makers. The business will therefore expand rather than shrink.

It is estimated by competent authority that there is in sight at present enough material of the high grade necessary to successful operation to keep the work going on at its present capacity for at least fifty years. The enlarged demand that is sure to come and the consequent raising of prices will bring in more money and increase the available supply. It is also probable that other areas will be eventually discovered. At any rate the present output brings into the State every year many millions of dollars, of which a large per centage is profit, and of the expense almost every dollar is distributed among the people of the State in the way of payroll and the purchase of needed commodities of home production.

The territory producing rock phosphate extends in a belt of narrow and varying width from Dade City to Fort White, with scattered ramifications on either side. There are differences of opinion among even the highest experts as to the exact origin of the deposit, but the prevalent belief is that it is a compound of bird and animal remains and deposits with limestone. It was probably formed on the marshy shore and islands of an inland fresh water or brackish sea, and has been accessible by the slow uplifting of the land.

The pebble phosphate area is much smaller, and the deposit is different. It is composed of bones of animals and fishes, mostly marine in their habitat, and is of slightly inferior quality to the hard rock, selling for 50 cents to a dollar per ton. It is very cheaply mined, however. Suction dredges are used, and there is comparatively little over burden to handle. Hand work of any kind is absolutely unknown from the time the ground is broken until the pebbles are on the car and paid for. The limit of the deposit are supposed to be known to experts, but the indications are that it is more extensive than they will admit. There are larger tracts which are not rich enough to work at present prices, but as prices advance and the demand becomes more insistent, these will come under the operation of the dredge and yield their valuable stores of phosphoric acid.

The phosphate industry of South Florida bids fair to endure for at least a century, and the existing line of profit on the operations is one of the principal causes of the abundance of money in this section. There are other channels of larger and stender income, which will be noted from time to time, but it is perhaps not too much to claim that for a while and permanence the phosphate industry stands out as the great money-making plant of the State.

## THE BIRD LAWS OF FLORIDA.

What is always Unlawful.—To kill, capture, have in possession living or dead, buy, sell, or offer for sale any wild non game bird.

To take or have in possession the nest or eggs of any wild non-game bird. Penalties: Fine of \$5 for each offense and \$5 for each bird or part thereof, nest or eggs possessed, or imprisonment 10 days, or both.

To have wild turkeys, quail or partridges in possession between March 1 and November 1. Fine \$25-\$100.

To trap quail or partridges except upon one's own enclosed cultivated land. Fine \$25-\$100.

To kill one day more than 35 quail or partridges and 4 wild turkeys; party of two or more, 50 quail and 6 wild turkeys. Fine \$25-\$100.

To sell, offer to sell or have in possession for sale any wild turkey, quail or partridges. Fine \$25-\$100.

To ship wild turkeys, quail or partridges out of the State. Fine \$25-\$100.

To ship beyond the limits of the county where killed any wild turkey, quail or partridges. Fine \$25-\$100.

To hunt on Sunday, fine \$25.

For non-residents to hunt without a license. Fine not exceeding \$100.

To enter upon the enclosed lands of another that are posted, to hunt or fish. Fine \$20.

The following are the game birds of the State: Swans, geese, brant, ducks, rails, coots, mudhens, gallinules, plovers, snipe, woodcock, sandpipers, tatters, curlews, wild turkeys, partridges or quail, turtle doves and robins.

All others are non game birds. English sparrows, big and little blue darters (Coopers and sharp-shinned hawks), the green horned owl, crow, ricebird, meadowlark, jackdaw, butcherbird (shrike), are not protected.

Hunters may take their game home with them within the State, but not for sale.

Open season for game birds.—Quail or partridges and wild turkeys, November to February, both inclusive. Ducks, October to March, both inclusive.

**Cause of Lockjaw.**

Lockjaw, or tetanus, is caused by a bacillus or germ which exists plentifully in street dirt. It is inactive so long as exposed to the air, but when carried beneath the skin, as in the wounds caused by percussion caps or by rusty nails, and when the air is excluded the germ is roused to activity and produces the most virulent poison known. These germs may be destroyed and all danger of lockjaw avoided by applying Chamberlain's Pain Balm freely as soon as the injury is received. Pain Balm is an antiseptic and causes cuts, bruises and like injuries to heal without maturation and in one-third the time required by the usual treatment. It is for sale by all druggists.

**WILL SCATTER BOUQUETS.**

The mission of the editor is manifold, but the following is a "new departure." We commend it to those editors who are disposed to take life too seriously.

Hear what an Albany, (N. Y.) editor loves to do and how poetic is his mission:  
"We do love to walk out in the early morn and gather up sunshine and laughter and extract the music from the bird songs, and tie them into lovely bouquets, saturate them with the perfume of gladness and toss them at the people as they rush by in their mad race after their coveted goal, the god of wealth and fame."

Editor Jordan, of the PUNTA GORDA HERALD, could not do much better than our New York brother. His words are honey on the lips.—Ocala Banner.

**Confessions of a Priest.**

Rev. Jno. S. Cox, of Wake, Ark., writes: "For twelve years I suffered from yellow jaundice. I consulted a number of physicians and tried all sorts of medicines, but got no relief. Then I began the use of Electric Bitters and feel that I am now cured of a disease that had me in its grasp for twelve years." If you want a reliable medicine for Liver and Kidney trouble, stomach disorder or general debility, get Electric Bitters. It's guaranteed by all druggists. Only 50c.

**Many Mothers of a Like Opinion.**

Mrs. Pilmer, of Cordova, Iowa, says: "One of my children was subjected to cramp of a severe type, and the giving of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy promptly, always brought relief. Many mothers in this neighborhood think the same as I do about this remedy and want no other kind for their children." For sale by all druggists.

**THE SENATORIAL CONTEST.**

Hon. Jos. H. Humphries, Democratic nominee for State senator from this district, will address the people at Wauchula today, Friday, October 7, at 2 p. m.

At 7:30 this evening he will speak at Bowling Green; at 7:30 p. m. tomorrow (Saturday), at Fort Ogden.

Dr. Pelot has been invited to be present at these meetings.

The people are urged to turn out and hear the speakers.

## ADDITIONAL LIST OF APPOINTMENTS.

For the Democratic Canvass of the First Congressional District.

The Hon. S. M. Sparkman, Democratic nominee for Congress in the First Congressional District of Florida, together with other distinguished speakers, will address the people of the district at the following times and places:

Lakeland, Tuesday, September 27, 7:30 p. m.

Dade City, Tuesday, October 4, 10:30 a. m.

Bradenton, Wednesday, October 5, 10:30 a. m.

Oak Hill, Wednesday, October 5, 7:30 p. m.

Largo, Saturday, October 8, 10:30 a. m.

Plant City, Monday, October 10, 7:30 p. m.

Bartow, Tuesday, October 11, 10:30 a. m.

Key West, Thursday, October 13, 7:30 p. m.

Port Tampa, Friday, October 14, 7:30 p. m.

Sarasota, Saturday, October 15, 7:30 p. m.

Sumterville, Tuesday, October 18, 10:30 a. m.

Cedar Key, Wednesday, October 19, 7:30 p. m.

Bronson, Thursday, October 20, 10:30 a. m.

Williston, Thursday, October 20, 7:30 p. m.

Dunnellon, Friday, October 21, 7:30 p. m.

Ocala, Saturday, October 22, 11:00 a. m.

Arcadia, Tuesday, October 25, 11:00 a. m.

Punta Gorda, Tuesday, October 25, 7:30 p. m.

Fort Myers, Wednesday, October 26, 7:30 p. m.

Mulberry, Friday, October 28, 7:30 p. m.

St. Petersburg, Monday, October 31, 11:30 a. m.

Inverness, Tuesday, November 1, 11:00 a. m.

Brooksville, Tuesday, November 1, 7:30 p. m.

Crystal River, Thursday, November 3, 11:00 a. m.

Tampa, Saturday, November 6, 7:30 p. m.

W. B. HENDERSON,  
Chairman.

FERRY G. WALL, Secretary.

**EDISON'S LUCKY ACCIDENT.**

An accident—a cut on the finger—caused Edison to invent the phonograph or talking machine, says the Kansas City Journal. Mr. Edison told the story of this invention to a visitor recently. At the time, he said, he was singing into a telephone and in the telephone mouthpiece he had placed for safe keeping a fine steel point. Suddenly this point cut his finger. He found to his surprise that it had been moving here and there and roundabouts, guided by the vibration of his voice.

He placed a strip of yellow paper under the steel point, replaced it in the mouth piece, and said the alphabet and it made a different mark.

This was what Mr. Edison had hoped for. He now held the steel point still, and drew the paper scratches slowly over it. There was given forth, very faintly, the alphabet as he had repeated it.

Thus the principle of the phonograph—the registering and reproduction of the voice's vibrations—was discovered through the cutting of a finger. It was Edison's finger though, that was out. Smith's or Brown's might have been quite backed off, and no phonograph would have resulted.

Will some scientists please explain why, when it starts to raining out of a cloud, it keeps on raining out of the same cloud and, though floods of water are poured down, the supply above continues undiminished and seems inexhaustible? Why is it that the agency that condenses the vapor of the cloud and causes it to fall in a steady, continuous shower, does not condense the entire cloud at once and send the whole of it down in an instantaneous deluge of a moment's duration?

**Democratic Irony.**

As pointed by Roosevelt, the republican party almost discounts Providence. It is all-wise and all-benighted. It is perfection, full-rounded, beautiful. According to Mr. Roosevelt, the time has come when those in charge of government are omniscient and society's ills are at an end. The Republican party is the answer to the sum total of mankind's efforts throughout the ages. It possesses exclusively all the superlative excellences hitherto known and a few newly invented ones.—St. Louis Republic.

**A Love Letter.**

Would not interest you if you are looking for a guaranteed Salve for Sores, Burns or Piles. Otto Dodd, of Ponder, Mo., writes: "I suffered with an ugly sore for a year, but a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured me. It's the best Salve on earth." 25c at all drug stores.